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Dramatic conclusion: HBO too pricey for admin

Lauren Tierney
Herald Staff Reporter

Students may have noticed that something is missing from their list of channels this semester. At the conclusion of the spring semester, the University eliminated HBO from the channels provided on campus in an effort to save money in an area that they felt was not being fully utilized by the student body. According to University officials, HBO alone was costing the University about \$72,000 each year. Because HBO offers commercial free programming, the network cannot make money through advertising like most other networks. Patrons must subscribe to HBO and pay a monthly fee.

In an interview, Tony Montefusco of the University's Housing Department stated that the cut was not done without consideration. IRHA, along with other random students, were asked whether or not they actually watched HBO in

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Lauren Tierney

Bed bugs attack Rhode Island

Lauren Tierney
Herald Staff Reporter

Until a recent national outbreak, bed bugs have been out of the news, and most likely, not at the front of people's minds. But with the growing population of the pest becoming especially harsh in New York City, where both an Abercrombie and Fitch and a Victoria's Secret had to close down due to infestation, bed bugs are crawling all over newscasts across the northeast. Though an AOL News report cited New York City as the top-most bedbug-infested city in the region, Rhode Island, New York's northern neighbor did not make the list.

Locally, however, rumors spreading that was a recent infestation at a Rhode Island hospital, though the institution remains unnamed. These rumors have



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not been confirmed, but it has Roger Williams University community members wondering if our campus could be in danger.

"An incidence of bedbugs is on the rise nationally. I believe this is true for Rhode Island as well but not to the extent that

some of the larger cities like NYC are experiencing,"

said Anne Andrade of Roger Williams University Health Services.

When asked if bedbugs were an issue on our own campus,

Andrade said there have been no reported issues of bedbugs, but that staff would help to determine if a student if is having a problem with the pests.

These flat, reddish-brown bugs are about the size of a watermelon seed. Contrary to popular belief, you can see a bedbug with the naked eye. They tend to live in comforters, mattresses, and clothing, and they feed off blood. Bedbugs, however, are not known to spread disease, so an infestation would merely

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Canned 'cocaine' growing in popularity

Olivia Lyons
Features Editor

Most college students will verify that beer and liquor are not the only types of alcohol being served at today's average college party. Far more dangerous drinks, such as the "caffeinated alcoholic beverage" Four Loko, are consumed in excess by young people every weekend.

Students may admit to leisurely drinking the increasingly controversial drink Four Loko on the weekends. But many students were surprised to hear that one can of Four Loko (23.5 oz) contains 12% alcohol content and 660 calories, which is roughly equivalent to five beers.

"Four Loko are terrible, but amazing at the same time" reported an anonymous Roger Williams University freshman. Some students are compelled to try the tasty drink because they can allegedly feel more alert while becoming extremely intoxicated simultaneously. However, students do not seem to comprehend the health risks being connected to this alcoholic beverage. "Some of these (side effects) include severe dehydration, nausea, headaches, hangovers, decreased ability to metabolize alcohol, and increase likelihood of alcohol poisoning and death," said Kirstie Good-

win, a second-year HAWK.

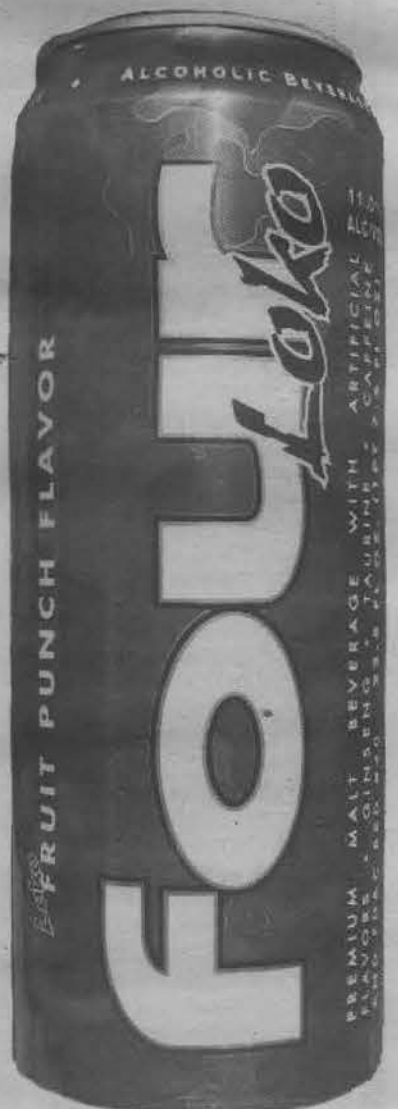
"This concoction (of mixing caffeine and alcohol) enables consumers to become extremely dehydrated at a very rapid pace, and the amount of caffeine masks the depressant effects of alcohol; allowing those who are drinking it to believe they are not as intoxicated as they actually are—which then makes them feel that they can or should drink more," said Donna Lynn Darmody, the Director of Health Education.

Four Loko has been referred to as 'legalized cocaine in a can' by multiple news outlets. The recent outrage concerning the new, popular drink of choice has caused an official ban of Four Loko on numerous college campuses nationwide. "I think it is about time that community organizers and politicians, as well as medical experts, speak out about energy drinks such as Four Loko. At the same time, owners of liquor stores (should) reconsider whether or not to carry such products that are potentially dangerous to our youth," Darmody said.

Four Loko is not FDA-approved and as of right now, the FDA is being pressured to permanently ban the drink.

"I think this is going to be a short lived fad," Goodwin said, "because Four Loko is

consistently showing that it does more harm for consumers than good."



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BRIEFS

Pope creates two dozen new cardinals
Pope Benedict XVI announced Wednesday that he would create 24 new cardinals — putting his stamp on the body that will select his replacement when he dies. The 24 senior Catholic clergy who will be getting their red hats next month include two from the United States, as well as clergymen from Egypt, Brazil, Poland, Italy, Zambia, Ecuador, Sri Lanka and Germany, among others.

—CNN.com

Verizon to sell Samsung's iPad rival for \$600

The first big-name competitor to the iPad in the U.S. won't be undercutting it in price. Verizon Wireless on Wednesday said it will start selling the Samsung Galaxy Tab on Nov. 11, which is half the size of the iPad, for \$600. That's more than the basic version of Apple Inc.'s tablet. It has screen that measures 7 inches diagonally and runs Google Inc.'s Android software. Access to Verizon's cellular data network will cost \$20 per month for up to 1 gigabyte of traffic. The tablet has two cameras, which could be used for videoconferencing. The iPad has no camera.

—msnbc.msn.com

A false rape conviction, 22 years in prison — and now an \$18.5 million award

A man who spent more than two decades in prison for a rape that he didn't commit says that he's not sure what he'll do with an \$18.5 million award a jury has ordered New York City to pay him. Alan Newton, now 49, was freed in July 2006 after serving nearly 22 years in prison for a rape, robbery and assault conviction. Newton had asked for DNA testing in 1994, but it wasn't until 2005 that the city was able to locate a rape kit of biological samples taken from the victim. The genetic tests proved that he was not the perpetrator.

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New Public Safety Phone Number

Amanda Newman
Managing Editor



Mark Fusco

On Oct. 15, Public Safety announced several new "hotlines," including a new emergency number, shuttle services hotline, and crime prevention hotline. The new emergency number is the biggest change, as Public Safety has implemented what they believe to be an easy to remember extension, according to John Blessing, Director of Public Safety.

"[We're] pretty excited about it," Blessing said. "It improves access to Public Safety and makes for an easier number to remember and provide."

In the email debuting the new numbers, there is a little slogan which Public Safety is hoping will make the new emergency number easier to remember. "At RWU, Public Safety is key; in case of emergency, just dial 3!" the slogan reads. Blessing says he feels the new number will be more beneficial and increase access for students. The old extension spelled out "HELP," but it was found that it was an in-house

number, meaning it couldn't be dialed from a cell phone; only an on-campus phone would work.

"Not many students have [landline] phones in their rooms, so we needed to make it accessible by all," Blessing said. Now, from a cell phone, Public Safety can be reached by dialing (401) 254-3333, or by dialing extension 3333 from an on-campus phone.

Presently, the new emergency line is up and running, and any calls made to the previous "HELP" line are being forwarded to the new line, but there are plans to phase the old line out within the next few years.

A new number created is that of the shuttle services hotline, whose purpose is, according to the email, to "improve ... services ... for all students seeking information regarding Shuttle Services."

The last new number is anonymous crime prevention hotline, where "faculty and staff can report suspicious campus activities to Public Safety," according to the email.

Students and faculty are encouraged to add all the new numbers to their contact lists.

Emergency Hotline: (401) 254-3333

Shuttle Services: (401) 254-7333

Crime Prevention:

(401) 254-3212

For non-emergencies, dial (401) 254-3611, or ext. 3611 from any on-campus phone.

WQRI nears return to air, loses administrator

Ben Whitmore
Editor-in-Chief

Thanks to the ratification of funding bill by Student Senate on Monday, WQRI 88.3 FM, Roger Williams University's student radio station, received the \$10,000 it stated it needs to get back on air.

"I'm pretty happy that Student Senate identified that for WQRI to remain an organization and keep fulfilling our mission statement, we need to be on air, and if we're not on air we're not

doing what we're supposed to be doing," said Henry Lindner, General Manager of WQRI.

Now that the station can order the necessary servers and studio equipment, WQRI could be broadcasting live by the first or second week of November, Lindner said.

WQRI will make the final push to get back on air without its station administrator, Michael Prete, who resigned earlier this week. According to Lindner, disagreement over the appropriate level of detail of WQRI's Executive

Board meeting minutes, which Prete kept, led Prete to resign.

"The E-Board felt the minutes were too long ... and I guess inappropriate, because we believed there was a lot of personal commentary in it which generally does not go in the minutes," Lindner said.

Prete was not available for comment.

After multiple meetings between Prete, E-Board members, and WQRI's advisor, the E-Board was still unsatisfied with Prete's minutes and chose not to

formally approve them, Lindner said.

When the E-Board voted to approve a shortened and amended version of the meeting minutes he wrote, Prete chose to resign, Lindner said.

According to the station's by-laws, the WQRI E-Board has two weeks to fill the station administrator position. Lindner said he and other E-Board members are currently accepting applications for the position from general staff members and other students.

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Bridge still undergoing construction

Nicholle Buckley
Herald Staff Reporter

Since Sept. 27, the Mount Hope Bridge has been under construction. Many people around campus have said that not a lot has been done, but Beth Bailey from the Rhode Island Turnpike and Bridge Authority says otherwise: "RITBA continues to repair the concrete on the road surface. This results in alternating lane patterns between 9:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m., when traffic is off-peak. Other work is being done below the bridge and does not disrupt traffic."

According to Bailey, the project should be completed by December this year, but she also states that "this is a 4-year project and work will resume in the spring."

From a student's perspective, Audra Armstrong has a lot to say, considering that she lives

in Baypoint, located across the bridge in Portsmouth. "I probably cross the bridge three times back and forth every day. I am worried about it because everyone who lives in Baypoint and in Portsmouth relies on the bridge as the only way to get to school," Armstrong said. "I do not understand why the construction is taking place from nine to three because that is when the majority of the traffic is on the bridge. Night construction seems like a far easier solution."

"I have a feeling that it will become much worse with time and become a huge inconvenience and a huge headache for everyone who has to worry about crossing the bridge," Bailey said. "The fact of the matter is the busiest times on the bridge are during commuting hours, not between nine to three. It's too dark to work at night safely and is thus impractical."



Mark Fusco

The Mount Hope Bridge is the source of frustration for many.

HBO: University put funds elsewhere

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their rooms. The response from those students did not give the University reason to keep the channel. He also said that the savings were used to avoid an increase in room and board fees. The University felt that the need to keep rates down outweighed the students' desire for HBO.

Student body treasurer, Nick Tsimortos, has been in close contact with the issue. He received details of the budgetary cut from the Senior Vice President of Finance and Administration, Jerome Williams. Tsimortos was informed that the \$72,000 saved from canceling HBO was used to increase the bandwidth of the Internet on campus. Internet speed has been an issue on campus in recent years. When asked if the money had gone toward keeping the rates down or improving the Internet, Williams said, "Any time that there are budget savings, the University is able to hold the line on the cost of tuition and room and board while meeting the growing needs for services. Since the last two years, the increase in tuition and room and board is the lowest

increase in the last ten years at the University." It was not made clear exactly which of the two options the money was used for. However, John King cleared things up. He said, "We eliminated HBO as part of several decisions designed to reduce the operating budget, thereby allowing for a smaller than usual room rate increase." In short, HBO was cut to save students money on their room and board rates. While the rates still went up, they did not increase by quite as much as usual.

Tsimortos hopes to send out a survey through Student Senate to take a poll of the student body. The tentative e-mail would ask questions about what students watch on television and if they would like to see HBO return. He hopes that if there is enough of a response, the University might consider reinstating HBO onto our list of channels. When asked if this was a possibility, Williams said, "That is a question that I would have to discuss with Dr. King from a budgetary policy perspective." For now, Roger Williams University will have to settle for life without HBO.

Breast Cancer Walk



Emily Rann

RWU students participating in the breast cancer walk.

Emily Rann
Herald Staff Reporter

When you think of October you usually think of all the red, brown, and yellow colors of the fall. Many Americans are now reminded of another color — pink! October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month. Year after year, over 200,000 women are diagnosed with this life-changing disease.

For almost a century, the American Breast Cancer Society has been trying to decrease Breast Cancer numbers. Based on United States statistics from the American Cancer Society for 2010, there have been 207,090 current cases dealing with invasive breast cancer. The lives of 39,840 women have been lost to breast cancer, and approximately 54,010 recent cases of Carcinoma in situ (CIS) will be discovered. Currently, there is beyond 2 million survivors of breast cancer in the United States. Since 1990, death rates have been decreasing with a greater decline in women under fifty years old. This miraculous drop in lives lost from breast cancer, can only be due to sooner discovery of the disease through screening, amplified awareness, and enhanced treatment.

The Women's Center of Roger Williams University (RWU) supports the breast cancer walks that are coordinated by the American Cancer Society, and tries to inspire students to participate and help out for the cause. This will be the tenth year that members of the Women's Center will be going with groups of students to the Making Strides Against Breast Cancer Walk. The walk will take place on Sunday, Oct. 24, at Roger Williams Park in Providence, R.I., and busses will leave campus at 7 a.m. Registration will open

at 7:30 a.m., and the Rolling Start will be from 8:30 a.m. through 10 a.m. The Making Strides Against Breast Cancer Walk has been successfully completed for fifteen years in Providence! Students are encouraged to attend the walk and support breast cancer survivors. If any students are interested in being on the RWU team, please rush to the nearest laptop and go to www.cancer.org/stridesonline. The goal for this year is to raise \$1,000 to be donated to the American Cancer Society.

Many students are really excited about Breast Cancer Awareness month and the Making Strides Against Breast Cancer Walk, since breast cancer is a serious disease that endangers the lives of many women. Last year's breast cancer walk was very successful. RWU students who partook in the walk collected close to \$1,200, which was donated to the American Cancer Society.

On Wednesday, Oct. 20, and Thursday, Oct. 21, the Women's Center will have a table set up in the Commons for students who want to sign up for the Making Strides Against Breast

Cancer Walk. They will also be passing out Breast Cancer Awareness information and will be hosting a fundraiser.

The Campus Entertainment Network (CEN) will be selling balloons to be released into the air on Oct. 25, in honor of breast cancer victims. The proceeds will be donated to the American Cancer Society.

It's quite obvious how many students and staff members are interested in spreading awareness and helping to support those in need of our help during Breast Cancer Awareness Month. However, there are always people who should get involved, be informed, and be reminded of what Breast Cancer Awareness Month is all about. We all have the opportunity to raise awareness and funds, support breast cancer survivors, and never forget those we lost. The Advisor of the RWU Women's Center, Jennifer Stanley, said, "The best protection is early detection. Take the time each month to do a breast self-exam. It could save your life!"



Spotlight on: Mr. RWU contestants

Brendan Buerger

I'm Buerger. I am a twenty two year old senior Political Science major. My mom lives in Waltham, Mass., but I have lived on three different continents. I am the President of the Leisure Sports and Barbeque Club and have played for the rugby team all four years of college. I wanted to participate in Mr. RWU because it is for a good cause and in memory of my grandmother, whom I just lost. She was the type of person who always had a helping hand when I needed it and I'd like to celebrate her memory of caring. No matter if I win or lose (though I am going to win), the children and charities win. My smoke show personal assistant is Lauren Elliott, so if you see her around, please feel free to do whatever she asks, because she will find you...no really, she's so much more organized than I, and I wouldn't have been able to do this without her. If you see Lauren or I around, feel to drop us some change, because every cent counts. Remember it's for the kids. Come out and support, and I'll go out and win.



Casey Sefton

This year, one of the ten contestants in the Mr. RWU Pageant is sophomore Casey Sefton. Casey was born in Garden Grove, Calif., where he spent the first two years of his life. At the age of three, he moved to Shrewsbury, Mass. Shrewsbury would then become his childhood home. He grew up playing hockey, lacrosse, and soccer. During high school, he continued to play hockey and lacrosse, earning varsity letters in both. At Roger Williams University, he is a History major and Music minor. He is involved in CEN, Intramurals, and is a part of Dance Club. Helping him during the Pageant is his beautiful assistant Kathryn Swanson, also a sophomore. She is a Marine Biology major. She is also involved in CEN and Dance Club, and also on the Track and Field team. This power house team of Sefton/Swanson plans to take the crown.

"Metropolis" found

Robert Manning
Herald Staff Reporter

Before "The Matrix," before "Blade Runner," before "Star Wars," before "Superman," Fritz Lang's 1927 silent film masterpiece, "Metropolis," set the stage for all great science fiction films to follow. "Metropolis" follows the story of a privileged boy who becomes a hero as he unites the aloof, autocratic rich, and the enslaved, disgruntled poor of the mighty city-state Metropolis foil a mad scientist and defeat a crazed robotic sociopath, quelling a massive workers' rebellion. For a time, the edited version was thought to be the only version in existence, as the Nazi takeover of German film brought with it massive destruction of art; the film was believed to be destroyed. After a few TV showings, the first major re-release came in 1984, when a cut of the film, with a few minutes of

recovered footage, was released along with an attempt at coloration and a new musical score composed by Giorgio Moroder, using songs from artists like Pat Benatar and Freddie Mercury. In 1987, a truer-to-form version was released, with most of the lost footage replaced with photos and speech cards. A 2001 release combined footage from four archives and ran a triumphant 124 minutes. It was believed that this would be the most complete version of Metropolis that current Audiences would see. But that would change. In 2008, the director of the Museum of Cinema in Buenos Aires, Argentina, made a shocking discovery: a 16mm cut of the film with virtually all of the missing footage intact, over 25 minutes of footage not seen since the movie's 1927 Berlin debut. It did not look promising at first, however. The film was badly scratched and degraded,

and the quality of the images were in bad form, having been copied from a 35mm original, and thus, the size was different from the other existing copies, making editing difficult. Many of the personnel who had worked on the 2001 version came back for this edition. Digital scanning and computer editing made the process smoother, allowing for most of the damage and flaws to be digitally edited out. The restoration also allowed for the jumbled set up of the remaining scenes to be smoothed, and missing plot twists to be returned. The restored film debuted for its American appearance on Apr. 25, 2010, at Grauman's Chinese Theater in Hollywood, followed up by another showing in Los Angeles. Since then, the film has been touring the country. Release dates for various cities are available at the Metropolis Website: www.kino.com/metropolis.

BED BUGS: U.S. sees resurgence in pests

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leave you itching. There are some relatively simple ways to detect the bug: check yourself for bites, which are generally slightly raised and reddish. Check your sheets and bedding as well. Bedbugs often leave excrement that appear as small, black dots on the sheets. There may also be rust or red colored spots that are caused by squishing the bugs. "We as facilities and residence life and housing completed a webinar to get additional information in an effort to determine how the process is going to be," said Tony Montefusco, Director of Housing. The university is in contact with an exterminating company that will come to the school to assist in detecting an infestation, Montefusco said. The company brings in a special light and examines the room in question. If bedbugs were discovered, the university

has a process in place to assist the student in eliminating the issue. The exterminator would rid the room of the pests. The mattress would be bagged, destroyed, and replaced, and the student would be responsible for taking all of their material items (clothes, sheets, towels, etc.) to a Laundromat. The high heat of the industrial driers will kill the bedbugs. One can help prevent infestation by washing sheets and clothes at high temperatures to kill the bugs. The driers on campus are not strong enough, however, so drying laundry at Laundromats is necessary. If staying in a hotel, avoid putting luggage on the bed or floor. Instead, use a luggage rack. Immediately upon returning home, wash the clothing in the luggage at a high temperature to prevent the transmission of the pests.

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DBMA seeks to strengthen ties between RWU and town

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Herald Staff Reporter

For Roger Williams University, the campus' convenient access to downtown Bristol is one of the university's biggest assets. The Downtown Bristol Merchants Association (DBMA) aims to help students and their families realize the value of this often underutilized area.

"We want the students and staff at Roger Williams to realize that we are a resource that can make events better," said Paul Mancieri, owner of Leo's Ristorante and a co-chair of the DBMA.

The DBMA was founded nine years ago by several business owners. Since then, they have worked together to better their businesses, the downtown area, and to host events. As Alayne White, owner of Alayne White Spa and co-chair of DBMA described it: "It's individual businesses that put their heart and soul into it and our goal is to get them to stay here and to grow. That's the whole purpose."

As co-chairs of the DBMA, Mancieri and White's job is to lead other businesses and "to rock and roll in order to get other people to rock and roll," White said. They want to inspire other

business owners in Bristol to capitalize on potential customers from the RWU campus community.

"I see an opportunity for Bristol merchants to work together to drive sales into the downtown. We have a lot of economic engines in front of us that we need to take advantage of," Mancieri said.

Not all RWU students are aware, however, of all that downtown area has to offer, Mancieri said. This is especially true among freshmen; partly

due to the fact that they are not allowed to have cars on campus, which makes it hard

campus will order delivery from restaurants in Bristol, who either accept Unicard points or deliver

to campus, that is sometimes the extent of their involvement with the downtown community. Some students, when they become upper-classmen, will take advantage of the bars in Bristol, but occasionally that is the extent of their participation in the greater community. Many students are just not aware of all that Bristol

daylight and looked around in the unique shops, restaurants, art galleries, salons, and museums. Bristol is a great place to walk around and take advantage of "this vibrant downtown is unusual these days with all the malls and route 6's and everything else that everybody goes to," White said.

One thing the DBMA has done is having places in the downtown area accept Unicard points. In addition, Leo's Ristorante is hosting a college night for students once a week, where they receive discounted meals.

On Oct. 24, the DBMA will sponsor a Halloween Walk-about, where all the shop owners and staff will be dressed in Halloween costumes, distributing candy for trick-or-treaters. To kick off the, winter holiday season there will be a Holiday Preview Party on the night of Nov. 19. Then, throughout the holiday season the DBMA will hold a snowflake raffle.

These events are designed to get the community involved with the small businesses here in Bristol. "It's all about the whole community. It's about having us all work together for the driving and thriving of business," White said.



Left: courtesy Alayne White; Right: Darielle Terry
Alayne White and Paul Mancieri chair the DBMA, which is trying to improve the economic relationship between the campus community and Bristolians.

for them to get downtown. While freshman and other students on

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Stone Church Coffee House to host Bill Harley

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Bristol's Stone Church Coffee House at the First Congregational Church welcomes folk singer, songwriter and storyteller Bill Harley on Saturday, Oct. 30. Bill Harley is a master storyteller. The nationally touring, critically acclaimed singer/songwriter, author, musician and monologist is considered by fans and peers alike to be one of the best storytellers in the country for his celebrations of commonality and humanity through comic narrative songs and confessional spoken works.

Adults absorb a Harley performance through a double filter of past and present. Children respond from the immediacy of their own lives, as with rubber-faced abandon he examines human foibles, flaws and embarrassments, common fears and simple pleasures. Harley's work resonates because he is

simultaneously a son, father, husband, child and grownup, and has remained true to all those facets of his life.

He was receptive early on to folk artist/activist Pete Seeger's use of music as an expression

ronmental and political causes.

The stories during his "Adult Show" recapture the humor and joy of childhood, the struggles between parent and child, and youthful recklessness. These are real

experiences that are easy for adults to relate to.

The two-time Grammy Award-winner and multiple Grammy nominee won for "Blah Blah Blah: Stories About Clams, Swamp Monsters, Pirate and Dogs" in 2007 and "Yes to Running" in 2009.

The coffeehouse is a family oriented, handicap-accessible musical venue at the church at 280 High St. Doors open at 6:45 p.m., and the show starts at 7:30. Tickets are available at the door or in advance at 253-4813. Light refreshments will be available for purchase. Tickets are \$15 (students are half price; children 5 and under are free).



BillHarley.com

Bill Harley, poses with his Grammy award for the best recording in the children's spoken word category.

of community. As a folk musician in the Seeger/Woody Guthrie tradition, Harley still lends his voice to social justice, envi-

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Local art museum celebrates storied history



Mark Fusco

The Bristol Art museum is located adjacent to the Linden Place residence. The art museum opened in 1963 and has featured the work of numerous famous and respected artists over the past 47 years.

Nicholas Tomeo Herald Staff Reporter

Art has always served as a means of reflecting the community at large. No matter the medium, it has always conveyed this in its entirety.

This pertains locally to the Bristol Art Museum, founded in 1963 by Jill Pardee, Margaret Merone, and Mrs. Perry, using the Linden Place Ballroom for its exhibits. Nine exhibits between June and October were held, the likes of which allured prestigious artists, such as Frank Benson, George DeForest Bush, Robert Motherwell, Maxfield Parrish, Norman Rockwell, Richard Grosvenor, among many others.

This museum is located the historic part of downtown Bristol, adjacent to the Linden Place residence. The ballroom in which it is currently located is in the Federal-style, built in 1810, and the Linden Place Estate dates from the 1860s. Near the courtyard is also a statuary in Colt Park, where there are reproductions from the Musée des Beaux-Arts of Paris that the Colt Family had brought back from Europe.

"It was unique and provided a venue," said Dr. Robert Arruda, one of the founding members of the museum. "There was previously no institution in Bristol that served these needs; you had to go to either Newport or Providence for access to art exhibits

or to learn about art. It created variety for the community as never seen before."

With the institution of the Bristol Art Museum, local, regional, and national art scenes began to cooperate together in Bristol.

"We used to have an annual ball," Arruda said, "where lemonade champagne and Lorna Doone cookies would be served."

It helped to expose the average resident of Bristol to the various forms of fine art, beginning with painting, sculpture, and textiles.

Over the years, however, the media have certainly expanded.

"Traditionally, there have been oil, watercolor, and clay. There are also works of art in wood,

glass—with Chihuly, an outstanding exhibit—mixed media, and sculptures in wood, bronze, and stone," said Patricia Woods, current Chairperson of the museum.

"More recently, there has been installation art, where the artist assembles an object in an artistic fashion in the middle of the museum, with an innovative use of materials."

The museum is currently open half the year, this fall showcasing three

exhibits: "Water" at the Bristol Art Exhibit at Rogers Free Library, "Travel+" at the Bristol Art Museum Exhibit at Linden Place, and at the Roger Williams University Law School, "Mills of the Past Century" by Penelope Manzella.

The "Water" exhibit lasts from Oct. 13, 2010 to Jan. 5, 2011, and is the last of four exhibits characterizing the basic "Elements."

"It features themes of boats and cup-defenders," Arruda said.

The exhibit not only showcases the scenery of New England, but also waterfalls and lakes throughout the world.

The "Travel+" exhibit lasts from Oct. 30 to Nov. 20.

"It is a three-year project organized by fifteen members of the Printmakers Network of New England," says Patricia. "Poets and artists convene to create an idea through printmaking in both wood-cut and engravings."

The oil painting exhibit at the law school lasts from Oct. 27, 2010 to Jan 2011, and is part of an ongoing liaison with the Law School at Roger Williams, with hopes of continuing in 2011.

As for the nature of the Bristol Art Museum, it is a non-profit organization, entirely based on volunteering; that is, there is a constant state of labor in the four-hour shifts at the museum.

"There is the high priority of staffing volunteers, as well as caretaking the museum space during office hours," Arruda said.

The physical plan of the structure must also be maintained, which requires a building committee. As well, exhibit committees search for artists to exhibit their work for the upcoming season, though it is never difficult to find them.

"The exhibit and building committees are definitely substantial," Woods said. "As for myself, I seek to build the organization within and strengthen the Board. There are also subcommittees to provide more delegates to the committees. We are also hoping for a paid executive director."

In addition to these tasks, Woods said she also needs to ensure that the Treasurer of the museum receives the IRS forms, that the Executive Board prepares publicity for the exhibits in a timely manner, and that the opening reception is planned.

Annually, there are three events held at the Linden Place Ballroom, and a full program for the year must be properly planned.

"We always work towards continued money support to pay for expenses," Arruda said.

For both Woods and Arruda, their experience in the Bristol Art Museum has taught them how to efficiently operate a museum.

Government fair: Educating students about their futures

Nicholas Tomeo Herald Staff Reporter

Educational fairs are designed to present material about a particular topic in such a manner that it makes the attending students more interested or engaged in the subject matter. This form of education is also the goal behind the upcoming Government Fair to be held at the Delaney Gym of the Harborside Recreational Center at the Harborside Campus in Providence on Thursday, Nov. 4 from 3:00 to 6:00 p.m. It will provide students a chance to meet employers, network, inquire about both internships and jobs, and

speak to professionals working in the government.

The fair, centered on employing students with various government agencies, is co-sponsored by Roger Williams University and regional colleges and universities, including Brown University, Bryant University, Johnson & Wales University, New England Institute of Technology, Providence College, Rhode Island College, Salve Regina University, and the University of Rhode Island. The following agencies are registered: City Year, Commonwealth of Mass., Connecticut State Police, Customs and Border Protection, the Federal Bureau of Investigation, and the Federal Bureau of Prisons,

FDIC, Massachusetts Department of Corrections, Massachusetts Division of Banks, Naval Undersea Warfare Center, and Peace Corps.

Also registered are the Social Security Administration, U.S. Department of Agriculture, National Statistics Service—New England Field Office, U.S. Department of Health & Human Services, as well as the Drug Enforcement Administration, according to Alexandra Palleschi, one of the primary organizers of the event. The following groups are also registered: the U.S. Marine Corps officer programs, the U.S. Department of State—Diplomatic Security, VA Boston Healthcare System, Vermont State Police, Immigration &

Customs Enforcement, IRS—Criminal Investigation, Mass. Department of Environment, and the U.S. Secret Service.

This event is specifically catered to students who are considering a particular governmental office, such as becoming a government tax agent or politician. "The Career Center has organized a shuttle that will bring students to and from the fair," Palleschi said. "We have recruited employers, scheduled the event, marketed it to the students, and set it up so that they could attend."

As of now, thirty students are expected to attend, though Palleschi anticipates more.

In regards to the assortment of activities, students can meet

employers, discuss job opportunities, and hand out their resumes.

"It is kind of like a meet-and-greet," says Palleschi. "There will be some refreshments."

As for the basic set-up of the event, there will be tables of employees representing companies who are interested in hiring full-time, part-time or internship personnel.

"Students will learn what employers are looking for, learn how to interview and to speak professionally, learn valuable networking skills, and interact with professionals," Palleschi said.

Homecoming 2010

Griffin Labbanace
Herald Staff Reporter

Each year, students on campus find their own ways to express their hawk pride, but one organization has been working for months to boost spirit throughout the student body. The Inter Class Council (ICC) has been working on a week worth of events for their annual Spirit Week. Each year, ICC hosts a week worth of RWU-themed events to help promote school spirit on a campus that some feel is lacking. Junior and ICC Chair Nibal Awad describes the basis of the week: "This is a traditional event that ICC hosts leading up to Homecoming Weekend. We came up with the idea for spirit week because

there is a lack of spirit on campus [which is why] we decorate and program events that will hopefully unify the classes and generate more pride in being a hawk." Along with Awad, the 4 class councils and ICC have created a new position, which hits close to home with this topic. Spirit and Traditions Chair Rachel Koch has assisted with the week's planning in preparation for what she describes as "bigger and better events than ever."

"We just want students to get excited about the campus that they live on," Koch said on why ICC hosts Spirit Week. Although the final product will, hopefully for ICC, look flawless, ICC works to overcome many hurdles and struggles to produce the best week for

students. "There is a lot of work that goes into programming; we have something going on every day of the week," said Awad. She added that ICC strives to work with different organizations and also different departments such as athletics and the alumni center. "Spirit Week wouldn't be the same without their collaboration," Awad said.

Throughout the week, ICC puts on programs that are directed towards what the students want and will enjoy along with some beneficial programs. Besides the traditional flag football game and student/faculty basketball game, ICC works with different foundations to put on programs, such as St. Baldricks Day, in support of cures for children with cancer. Awad agrees with some students' reaction that there

are many options for students during the week. "There is something for everyone. I think the campus gets a kick out of it; we just hope they will continue to show their spirit throughout the rest of the year," Awad said.

Koch agreed and added that she wants students to engage with events during this week and then take that enthusiasm, energy and support to other events on campus even when the week is over. "I want students to put themselves out there and try something new," Koch said.

Awad agrees with many members of ICC with that the preparation of the week went right on plan. "I think that it went very well; I just hope that everyone enjoys themselves and had fun attending all of the events," Awad said. She said

she believes that Spirit Week is not only a school spirit booster, but also is a pathway to greater leadership opportunities for students.

"My first day on ICC was right in the middle of Spirit Week and it was such an amazing week to jump right into the organization and see what ICC was all about," Awad said. "I hope every student walks away with a little more Hawk pride in them than they had before the week started," she said.

ICC wants to help campus boost their school spirit, one class at a time, Koch said. "We can't make you want school spirit: you have to want it yourself," Koch said. This sentiment is part of the reason that ICC works hard to plan this week.

Student opinion: Homecoming is all about manufacturing school pride

Alexandra Artiano
Asst. Opinions Editor

Homecoming is a good excuse to partake in some school activities and show off the college to your parents. That's at least what is advertised on the website. The events include

family information sessions, casino night, and some "athletic events". The problem is that the Roger Williams University's campus is not one filled with school spirit at other points during the year, so when "Spirit Week" comes around, it seems a little out of place. Personally, I am having my mother come down and we are leaving that

night to go see the Jack-O-Lantern Spectacular at Roger Williams Zoo – that will probably be the highlight of our day. As much as I want to really feel school spirit and be a part of the community, I feel like I'm always walking around campus and there is nothing to really do. We receive e-mails every day about what's going on, but

it's never really getting to know the campus and feeling pride about where we go to school. We're really good at impressing people with the beauty of our school, but what do we really hold as substance? I mean, we don't even have a football team. I feel like even though that is a superficial thing, it still matters: it means that we don't get to go to

that Homecoming football game and we don't get to dress up and get excited about a Homecoming rally because it seems kind of pointless. All I know is that Homecoming weekend seems kind of weak and feels like it will probably be a flop but I really hope I'm wrong.

Friday, Oct. 22nd	Saturday, Oct. 23rd	Sunday, Oct. 24th
	<div>11:30 a.m. Autumn Luncheon with Homecoming King and Queen Coronation <i>Field House</i></div> <div>12:30 p.m. Men's Soccer Game <i>Bayside Field</i></div> <div>1:00 p.m. Autumn Festival and St. Baldrick's Day Event <i>Commons Field</i></div> <div>3:00 p.m. Women's Soccer Game <i>Bayside Field</i></div> <div>3:00 p.m. Fall Classic Flag Football Finals <i>Architecture Fields</i></div> <div>8:00 p.m. Homecoming Casino Night <i>Campus Recreation Center Field House</i></div> <div>10:30 p.m. CEN presents Midnight Madness <i>Gymnasium</i></div>	<div>7:00 a.m. Providence Making Strides Breast Cancer Walk <i>Buses Depart from Campus Recreation Center</i></div> <div>10:00 a.m. President's Jazz Brunch <i>University Commons</i></div> <div></div>



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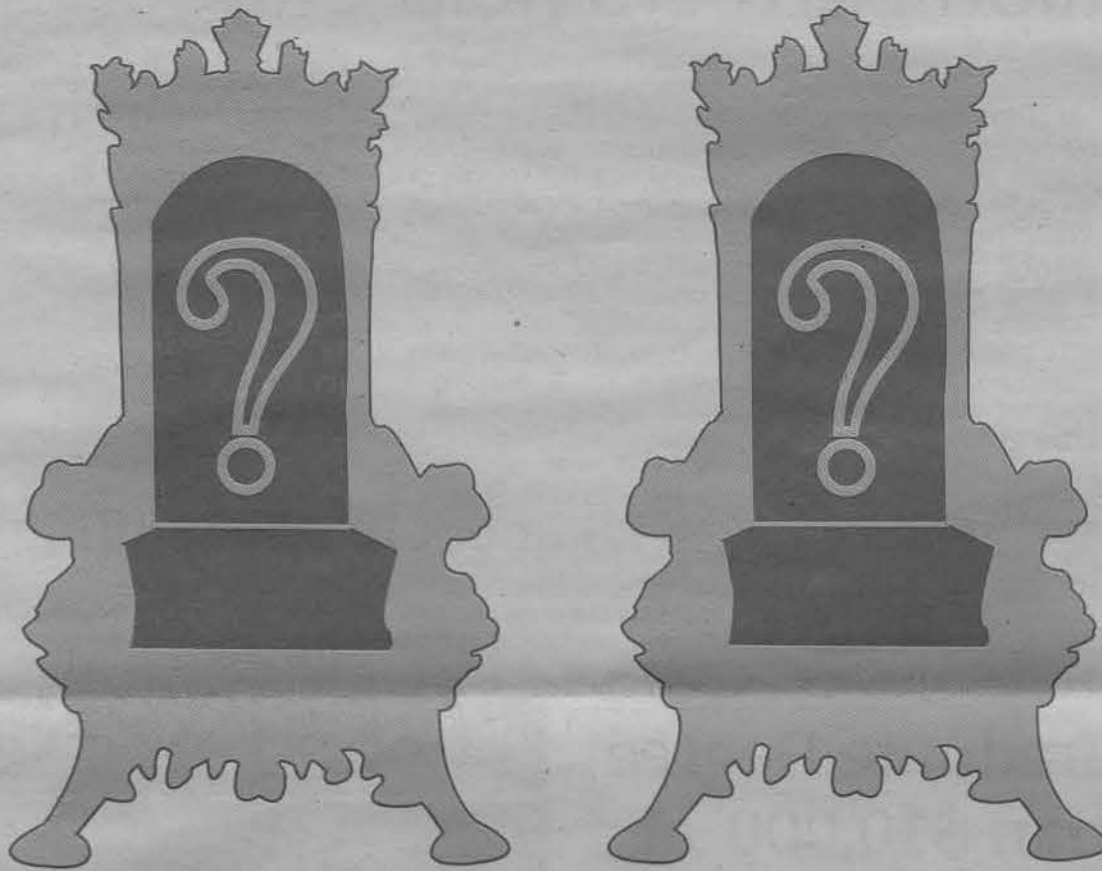


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Who will be the next



King and Queen?



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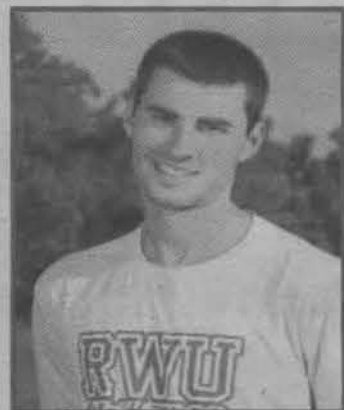
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Do you think Homecoming would be more significant if we had a football team?

Matt Gallagher

"I feel like everyone would be more into it than they are now. Students would be more excited."

Joey Milanes

"It would give us something to look forward to. It would pump us up more."

Morgan Barresse

"I do, definitely. I come from a very football-oriented family. My mom was really involved with Pop Warner and started the cheerleading program in my town. It is a lot more fun."

Shannon Ingles

"I'm going to disagree. There are lots of great sports here already and lots of great school that don't need football for spirit week."

Bruce Rycki

"It would definitely be more significant. It brings a lot more people to games and it's all based around that. That's the biggest thing that you can do for Spirit Week, although I know that it's not easy."

Flying Kites program gives hope to Kenyan orphans

Olivia Lyons
Features Editor

Flying Kites, a non-profit organization, works to raise awareness about the two-million orphaned children fighting for their lives in Kenya and to eventually end the unfortunate cycle of poverty that the Kenyans are stuck in.

Nearly 60,000 of the orphaned children are living on the streets of Kenya. These children have been forced to steal, beg, and rummage through garbage for

food. Many have been reduced to using drugs—to numb the hunger—and prostituting themselves to make money. "Children living on the streets are trapped in a cycle of poverty and despair from which it is all but impossible to escape," wrote the Flying Kites program on its website.

Brendan Lagere and Kasey Golka, two RWU freshmen, have brought Myturn, a division of Flying Kites, to the Roger Williams University. Myturn is a segment of the organization dedicated to raising awareness

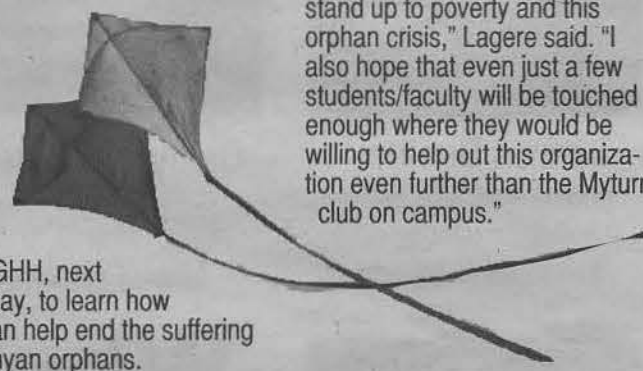
about the orphans, among college students. On Thursday, Oct. 28 at 7:00 p.m., RWU students will be given the opportunity to participate in an event sponsored by Myturn held in Global Heritage Hall (GHH-01). The event will consist of students watching a 50-minute DVD revealing the way the orphaned children in Kenya live, which will be followed by a question and answer session regarding the DVD and the organization in general.

"The DVD is a huge eye opener for most," said Lagere,

who has been involved with Flying Kites for nearly three years now. Lagere said that students are urged to stop by the meet-

ing in GHH, next Thursday, to learn how they can help end the suffering for Kenyan orphans.

"I hope that I can reach out to a large number of students and have them become involved in this wonderful cause to help stand up to poverty and this orphan crisis," Lagere said. "I also hope that even just a few students/faculty will be touched enough where they would be willing to help out this organization even further than the Myturn club on campus."



Conversation partners help bridge cultural gap

Christina Berlinguet
Herald Staff Reporter

The Conversation Partner Program is an exceptional opportunity for Roger Williams University's students with English as their second language to meet English-speaking students and improve their studies in the language and American culture. This is especially important for English as a second language (ESL) students because it provides them with the opportunity to meet American RWU students and allows ESL students to plunge into the culture. ESL students only have class with each other; therefore, it can be

difficult for them to meet students from the United States.

As of right now, there are 104 international students in the program, and an abundance are still on the waiting list. The program runs by setting up about five ESL students with an American speaking partner. Maria Adkins, the woman in charge of the program, meets with the conversation partners once a week and checks in with them to see what they are doing with their students, ensuring that they are learning and sharing cultural experiences. Adkins teaches the conversation partners strategies on how to improve learning about different cultures. She usually leads a discussion about cultural differences

and other important aspects in interacting with people from a different culture. Sometimes, she will show the conversation partners international films that correspond with the culture of their international student or has them research different aspects of the food or traditions of different cultures.

Conversation partners meet with their international students for an hour once a week. Together, they do a variety of activities, from playing board games to dining together. Some of the conversation partners put together Tuesday night dinners where each week, they cook food from one of the countries that their international students come from.

"Some weeks we play games, like Apples to Apples, and some weeks we watch a film. This is a great way for our partners to meet other Americans as well as other international students," states Aimee Curran, a conversation partner. One of the most important aspects of the Conversation Partner Program is allowing for students to emerge within different cultures and enjoy the diversity that exists on campus. Curran also states, "I love learning about different cultures; it is a firsthand experience that I could never get unless I had the money to travel out of the country."

"It's great to think about certain things and compare the difference between my country

and yours," said Alexis Diaz, an international student from Caracas, Venezuela said. Diaz and her conversation partner usually spend their time together walking around campus talking about their experiences from the previous week, she said.

Although there are no payroll positions available for the Conversation Partner Program, work-study students are encouraged to apply for a position as a conversation partner. There are four new openings every fall. Becoming a conversation partner is a great opportunity for people who want to immerse themselves within another culture and become aware of his or her own culture as they share it with their international student.

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The travails of paying your own way through college



Katlyn Proctor
Opinions Editor

Have you ever really wafted the scent of freshly canned pickles? Pickles are delicious but when the somewhat sour

juice and seeds are trailed from the beautifully stocked shelves of a produce department to an already sticky Self-Checkout register scale and scanner, I have a problem with them. The best part is, if you haven't put it together yet, that the customer put the leaking jar of pickles back on the shelf, leaving me to follow the trail with blue spray and paper towels. I then had to sort through all of the pickle jars on the shelf to find the leaky one.

Going off of the "putting things back" idea, there is a frequent nighttime customer that visits while I am stuck closing. It's sort of an awkward situation since I'm stuck all alone, guarding down 9 registers filled with cash and I have no where to

run to avoid conversation. A goofy-looking foreign man (or a young man?) often purchases over \$100 worth of lobster. He is always accompanied with a short, redheaded man wearing a fanny pack from Chicago, or so he's told me 3 times. I question how the pair have met, what they have in common and where they get the money to purchase \$300 worth of random-groceries (like toothbrushes), twice a week. One night, after the kid (boy?) successfully stole \$40 worth of lobster while my back was turned, the store manager informed me that "lobster-boy" or so the name he has been coined, simply "lets" the lobsters go. He buys them and lets them go again. As a vegetarian, I sort of support this in an odd way.

But do you know what I could do with \$300? I could buy a laptop, or finally fill my fridge with delicious groceries.

But instead, this is kind of what my life is like all of the time. I lead that sort of humorous and entertaining life yet at the same time it's sort of pitiful. I work two jobs and have nothing to show for it. I'm constantly in last place, especially when I play Mario Kart (but I like to blame it on the fact that Donkey Kong weighs more than any other character in the game.) For 30 hours a week, I'm surrounded by food of every kind and yet I have learned to let a package of Pop Tarts last me 2 days. My luck is constantly changing, although I'm convinced it's some sort of family curse, which we can get

into another time. For example, when I think things may be looking up for a change, I just so happen to get stuck behind the University lawnmower (although, the grass looks very nice at all times) traveling approximately 2 miles an hour when I need to get to class for a test. And if you only knew how many times I have missed the shuttle, or any form of transportation in my life, you would flat out laugh.

I'm Katlyn and I work at Shaw's. I'd like to continue to share my tales of unluckiness, the struggles I encounter as I completely support myself and other random work stories that I deem worth sharing.

And as they've trained me to say at Shaw's: Get crazy about food.

In tune: albums that'll rock your iPod

"Cameras" by Matt and Kim

Student: Brandon Farmer

"Cameras" is a pretty solid mix between two increasingly popular genres of music: electronic-punk and indie rock. The Brooklyn-based band Matt and Kim is notorious for experimenting with, and creating, an amateurish and unique style of music. Their unconventional mixture of sounds combined with their convincing lyrics promoting a non-conformist bohemian-style of living, totally works and leaves the listeners wanting to hear more of this intriguing, alternative type of music.



"Come around Sundown" by Kings of Leon

Critic's Pick

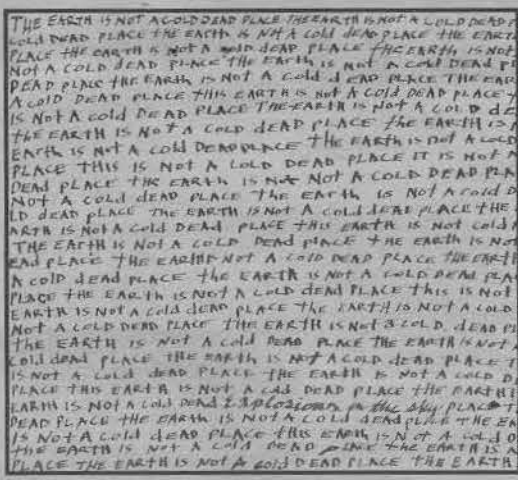
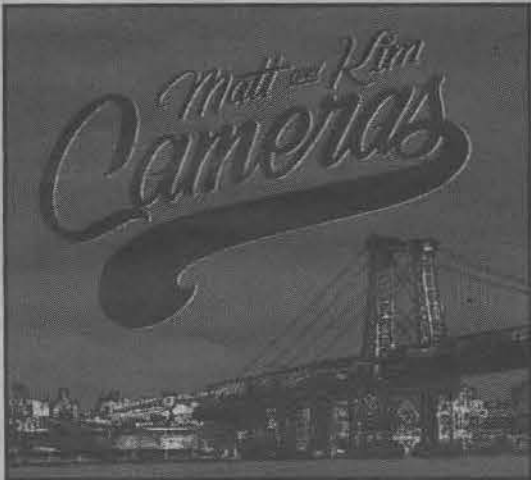
Kings of Leon released their newest album, "Come around Sundown," which features one brilliant song after another, on Tuesday, Oct. 19. Although the band has produced yet another great album, most critics will agree that KOL seems torn between the lime light and their southern garage-band roots in their new album. Songs such as "The End" and "Radioactive" are very typical, but substantial, 'studio' KOL songs. However, songs like "Mary" and "Birthday" are throwbacks to the band's original sound.



"Your Hand in Mine" by Explosions in the Sky

Student: Matt Gallagher

Explosions in the Sky is an instrumental-rock band based out of Austin, Texas. The band's music has been featured on soundtracks for popular films including Friday Night Lights and Love Happens. Explosions in the Sky refers to many of their songs as mini-symphonies, which truly is the best way to describe their music. "Your Hand in Mine" stretches on for over seven minutes narrating a romantic journey without using a single word. This wildly emotional song is certainly worth your download this week.



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Courtney Costello
Herald Contributor

In the past two weeks, there have been a flurry of changes within the ruling and implementation of the "don't ask, don't tell" policy. Last week, a federal judge in California ruled the policy unconstitutional. While this week the judge upheld that current decision and now military recruits have been told by the Pentagon to let open gays and lesbians into the military. The Pentagon also stated that anyone in the military currently could come out without being discharged.

This is an obvious step in the right direction, right? Well, most people and I fighting for this cause believe that although it is progress, this change could move in the other direction just as quickly.

Currently, this court decision is still being deliberated and it could be overturned. If 'don't ask, don't tell' is reinstated, the repercussions could affect those who were recruited openly and came out in the military.

As the logistics of this policy continue to be frayed in a state of limbo, I think that there is the obvious bigger picture to the whole idea of having those of the LGBT community serve in the military. If a citizen of the United States wants to serve their country by

putting their life on the line in the U.S. military, they should be able to do so without any restrictions on their sexual preference.

Since the law was implemented in 1994, a steadily growing number of 14,000 service members have been kicked out of the military. That is an honest disgrace on how the military treats those willing to put their life on the line for their country.

The rhetoric that personal sexual preference should not be stated within serving the military and that a person who is ousted as being gay can be removed from their service is a violation of civil rights. This movement to repeal DADT to which this federal judge gave legs is the start of our civil rights movement.

At this moment, how does 'don't ask don't tell' speak to American children? Having an oppressed group of people in the military does not teach the basic principle of being treated equally and this is sending an obviously wrong message. It seems as if being gay in the military is unpatriotic and it isn't right for them to disclose their identity while they are in service.

This message should not be sent to any child or teenager. The fact that there is a "gay teen suicide" epidemic on the hands of Americans should be a clear indicator that times are changing and people are becoming more vocal about their sexuality. It cannot be that we have adults, and not just parents, governing us saying that it is not okay to voice one's sexuality while serving in the military. It is such an unjust law that has definitely had a trickle down affect on the youth in America.

All we can do now is hope that the overturn of 'don't ask, don't tell' stays in place, where those who wish, can openly serve in the military.

Don't ask, don't tell:

social injustice or tactical precaution?



Andy Plocica
Herald Contributor

How did Lady Gaga become so damn influential? Her opposition to the military's "don't ask, don't tell" policy has her fans up in arms against Bill Clinton's brainchild. The recent ruling by U.S. District Judge Virginia Phillips in the case Log Cabin Republicans v. United States has given the government until the date of December 13th to consider the appeal of this decision. Recent polls produced by media organizations including CNN, FOX and *The New York Times* indicates that roughly 75% of Americans favor the "military acceptance of openly homosexual citizens". I am fully supportive of the government appeal of this ruling by Judge Phillips, and as part of the dissenting minority I feel compelled to reveal my reasoning.

The "don't ask, don't tell" policy, as enacted in 1993 by the Clinton Administration, was President Clinton's fulfillment of his campaign promise that he would allow all citizens to serve their nation. The policy essentially permits homosexual American citizens to serve within the U.S. military provided that the aforementioned individual keeps his/her sexuality private. I see no problem with this doctrine, because participation in the military does not recognize the civil rights of the individuals who compose it. The freedom of speech, our most basic right, the one right that every single child in America is aware of, is not supported within the military. Soldiers are not even allowed to reveal their political biases while in uniform. This is because freedom of speech can cause friction within the military, and this friction directly results in the death of American soldiers. I feel the right of a homosexual within the military to declare his homosexuality is an incident that the government is entitled to restrict.

The military, and combat specifically, creates a strong sense of brotherhood within units and between soldiers. This

strong bond is universal, and there is hardly a soldier in the military who wouldn't lay down his/her life for a fellow soldier if the situation presented itself. The servitude of homosexual men/women could lead to the creation of relationships that surpass those of basic comradery. Where as brotherhood creates strong ties between soldiers, love is a much more irrational bond to face on the frontlines. Love on the frontline could generate situations where individuals place the wellbeing of a select soldier above the squad and the mission, this is dangerous. This is the same reason why female soldiers are not stationed upon the frontlines of combat, a woman's right to serve in combat are overshadowed by the greater good of our cause.

The U.S. military is facing a fierce opponent in Afghanistan, and this opponent must not be underestimated. The amount of changes that would have to be instituted in order to permit openly homosexual citizens the ability to serve in the military are too numerous and time consuming to perform during the middle of a war. The inconvenient truth of the matter is that the removal of the "don't ask, don't tell" policy will have to wait, the war we are engaged in now does not offer us the luxury of renovating the military institution. Good luck and God Bless money back into our economy. Thanks and God bless.

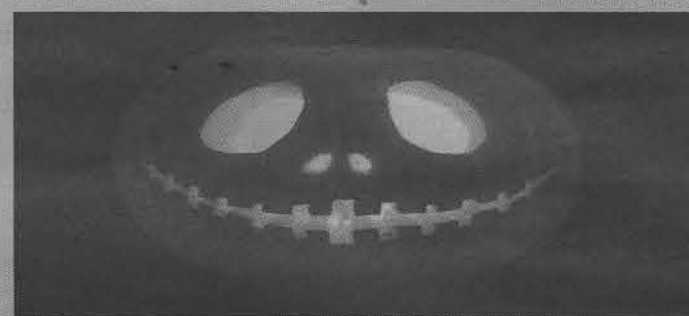
WTF of the week

Mark Fusco
Photo Editor

This gem was discovered on a Monday morning placed neatly on a rock in I lot, accompanied by a freshly eaten apple core. Although some grape juice and a freshly picked fall apple make an ideal morning snack, this student seems to possess a fundamental misunderstanding about the proper grape juice to consume with breakfast. Although this is not entirely shocking to find remnants of alcohol consumption on our lovely campus, this combina-

tion does create a bit of an oddity. I only wish that they had remembered to use a bendy straw. Hopefully this two-liter size champagne was a shared snack, and the placement of leaving it in a

parking lot has no relation to the student's driving habits. WTF RWU?



The Hawks' Herald is holding a short scary story contest open to all Roger Williams University students. Interested writers should submit a short scary story (maximum of 1,000 words) to stories.hawksherald@gmail.com by Monday, Oct. 25 at 5:00 p.m. Your story can be featured in the Halloween edition of the *Herald*!

Letter to the Editor

Dear Editor:

The same crossword puzzle was used two weeks in a row...would you run the same story two weeks in a row I don't think so....step up your game bro

Very Disappointed,
Mark Kupcinkas

The final word on exams

Katie Roane
Herald Staff Reporter

To be honest, I had not heard anything about the debate regarding giving final exams in college until I was asked to write an opinion article about it. When I did more research on it, I found out that it was Harvard University of all places that was doing away with final exams simply because of the attendance of professors in their own classes in May and a new policy that requires professors to proctor their own exams. Originally, I was sort of disappointed in Harvard because, well, it is an Ivy League school; it didn't make sense to me that they were choosing to give students final projects instead of exams. I got the impression that profes-

sors were just getting lazy and lowering their expectations of students simply for their own convenience sake. Plus, how could professors assure that their students were actually using their knowledge and not plagiarizing outside resources to make up for what they had not learned? And would not grading several projects be more time consuming than one standardized exam? But after giving it some thought, Harvard may be on to something. Their logic is a bit off, but maybe final exams really are not worth all the effort that goes into designing them and certainly all the stress that goes into preparing for them.

The first department to no longer regularly give finals was Harvard's Faculty of Arts and Sciences. Since many of the sciences are more theory-based, perhaps final exams are not the most effective way of assessing what students have learned. I mean, in the real world, no one is ever going to ask you the exact definition of, say, microbiology. Rather, to be successful, you are go-

ing to have to apply what you have learned throughout your education in that particular course and that is where the real test comes into play. It is not what you can bubble in on a Scantron, but it is the application of all the skills that you have learned in the course that really shows your professors what you have learned. And in cases such as these, I do believe that giving students a final project, which would be a chance to demonstrate their knowledge, would better benefit them in the long term. That being said, these projects would have to be designed in such a manner that students would not be able simply go on the Internet and Google for everything that they are

required to know for the project as that would defeat the purpose of assessing them. I also believe these aforementioned projects should give students some sort of real-world experience because that is what college is for: to prepare us for

the future? This is something that a test cannot do. However, I do not believe that avoiding final exams would be appropriate for every department. Take mathematics, for example. Math is just math: it is one of those subjects where you know it or you don't. So, for situations like that, I think that a final exam would be more fitting, and above all, necessary. It is not okay for professors just to sit back and say, "I'm not going to give a final because I don't feel like it." There has to be a deeper meaning behind it, such as being more beneficial to the student. After all, we are the ones paying for our college education and it would be unfair for the professors to deny us an assessment that tells us just how much knowledge that we have acquired and how we can apply it to real life.

The 3,000 mile oil myth

Mark Fusco
Photo Editor

3,000 miles: for anyone adamant about maintaining his or her car, this is an important quantity. For everyone else, it's that number on the annoying sticker that your mechanic puts on your windshield reminding you to change your oil. Motor oil acts as a lubricant for combustion engines in everything from tractor-trailers to lawn mowers. Oil creates a film that covers moving parts within the engine, protecting it by minimizing direct contact between moving components, decreasing heat caused by friction, and reducing wear. Motor oil also limits the metal parts' exposure to oxygen, preventing oxidization. In the average consumer car, oil can be exposed to temperatures of up to 320 degrees Fahrenheit, and this exposure to high heat causes the oil to lose viscosity, creating a poor lubricant. Also, as internal parts touch, they create microscopic metal shavings that are absorbed by the oil. As these shavings accumulate in the oil, it can actually increase engine wear over time. Think of it as mopping a floor with dirty water. Eventually, the water becomes so contaminated that it does more harm than good. Although not changing motor oil is very harmful to an engine, changing it too often is a huge waste of time, money, and well,

oil. So the question is: how often should you change your car's oil?

"Oil chemistry and engine technology have improved to the point that most cars can go several thousand more miles before changing the oil. A better average would be 7,500 between oil changes, and sometimes up to 10,000 miles or more," Philip Reed, Senior Consumer Advice Editor for the automotive website Edmunds.com told the New York

inants produced in the engine. Oil nowadays has increased chemical robustness that allows them to protect engines from wear much longer than oils in the past. Modern engines also have tighter tolerances (the gap between metal moving parts) internally which lead to less engine wear. Automakers have also begun to introduce oil life monitoring systems, which notify the driver when an oil change is required.

Our addiction to the 3,000-mile change is the brainchild of Jiffy Lube shops hoping to secure your repeat business as often as possible.

"Another National Oil and Lube News article tied the frequency of oil changes to success in pushing related products and services. For a midsize SUV, the stepped-up oil change intervals will bring in \$1,800 over the life of the car; the article says, 'A few extra services [or oil changes] can go a long way toward increasing the amount of money that a customer will spend during the lifespan that we estimated here,' the article concludes," Reed wrote in an article published on Edmunds.com.

Living by the myth of the 3,000-mile change is too costly to auto owners and too wasteful of usable oil to continue to justify. My advice: consult your owner's manual for a more accurate interval and rip that pesky sticker off your window.



Times. Driving conditions tend to be the largest factor determining when your vehicle's oil should be changed. Most drivers do not realize which conditions have severe effects on an engine. For example, those short drives to town can be the most strenuous on an engine. Quick drives do not permit oil to heat up enough to effectively absorb the contam-

The NYTimes are a-changin'

Sarah Mamula
Herald Staff Reporter

Over the past few years, I have noticed that newspapers have slowly but surely started to thin out, layoff, or shut down completely at a discomforting pace. And local papers are not the only ones hurting — I know that when I pick up the Sunday edition of The New York Times, the weight of the folded pages is but a mere shadow of its former self.

The Style section alone used to weigh about one pound. What happened? Oh yeah, technology happened.

These days, most of us, me included, get the major headlines sent to us via e-mail or have the Associated Press app on our smart phones. Who bothers to pick up a copy of the newspaper anymore?

Reading the news on our laptops and cell phones is quick, easy, and environmentally friendly. However, while I understand the perks to obtaining

information through technology, I do think that there is something slightly disturbing about the disappearance of what used to be a cultural tradition. Who does not have an image ingrained in their minds of their parents reading the paper with a coffee in their hand? And what about paper

filled with machines and flat screens. With the mass amounts of social networking websites and other ways to obtain news, we are all slaves to the battery life on our electronic devices. Heaven forbid my MacBook shuts down while I am reading about the United States' new strategy in Afghanistan. What if my Kindle gets sand in it on vacation? Aw, shoot.

Sarcasm aside, I do not believe for a moment that newspapers, magazines, and books could ever return to the good 'ol days. However, if there were suddenly a way to do go back, I would be against it. Technology is great. Advances have vastly improved and simplified our day-to-day tasks. I just think that there should be some kind of limit. Can there not be room for both? Can we

please blend the traditional with the modern? Personally, I find the idea of reading Jane Austen on a phone absolutely nauseating. It is just wrong.

I have no idea what is going to happen in the future, but I cannot imagine a world without newspapers, magazines, and books. Yes, it is all well and good to be advanced so everything is cheap and a tree never has to get cut down again but let's not forget that we are human beings, not robots.



routes? Do those cute little boys on bikes exist anymore?

The same issue is also happening within the magazine and book publishing industries. After working at a local bookstore in my hometown for about three years, I have seen firsthand how difficult that it is to compete with Amazon.com's Kindle and Apple's iPad. Times are tough, and nobody wants to spend \$28 on the newest hardcover when you can get an e-book for a fraction of the price.

Our lives have rapidly become



Couple of the Moment

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Roger Williams University '12

Major: Secondary Education and Biology

Hometown: Scarborough, M.E.

Birthday: Septemeber 20, 1990.

Information

Relationship Status:
In a Relationship

Current City:
Bristol, RI

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♥ Devon Leighton is in a relationship with Dmitri Strakhov.



How long have you been dating?

Comment - Like

DS: One year.

How did you meet?

DL: Through a mutual friend, Mitri. He lived next door to me.

DS: I was always in his room because we were on the same team.

How do you balance your relationship and school?

DS: It's pretty equal. We do some studying together. She also has her soccer and I have my lacrosse.

DL: We take the little bit of free time that we have to hang out

What was your favorite date so far?

DL: For New Year's Eve last year, we went to New York City.

DS: We saw the tree in Rockefeller Square and everything else.

Have you ever been on vacation together; if so, where?

DS: Not yet.

DL: I guess visiting New York City is like a mini vacation for us. We live pretty far apart.

What's your favorite fall activity to do together?

DL: He likes coming to my soccer games.

DS: We haven't really experienced any fall things yet. We started dating last November.

What's the quirkiest thing about one another that you love?

DL: He's really indecisive.

DS: She has to have her room clean before bed. It takes her about twenty minutes to do every night.

DL: It stresses me out if I don't.

Where was your first kiss?

DL: Well, technically, at the basketball house.

DS: But we could say Providence. Let's go with that one.

DL: That was our first "real" kiss.

DS: It was slightly more coherent.


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Quick and dirty guide to eating healthy

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Opinions Editor

As college students who are constantly short on cash, it's easy to run to fast food joints to grab lunch or a super late night snack. Although it is the cheapest option, it is not necessarily the best choice, especially if you're even remotely concerned with your cholesterol.



terol. It doesn't seem as though the drive-thru could offer any healthy alternatives, but believe it or not, most of the menu items are healthier than the salads. If you do find yourself driving to the nearest fast food place for a meal, keep these options in mind:

- Ultimate Grilled Chicken Sandwich from Wendy's: This sandwich is the healthiest choice on the menu. It has the least amount of fat calories and zero trans fat, which is one of the leading culprits of high cholesterol. The grilled chicken sandwich offers more protein than any hamburger. No matter what fast food joint you end up

at, high amounts of sodium are inescapable.

- Plain bagel with cream cheese from Dunkin' Donuts: Opting for a bagel with cream cheese is surprisingly much healthier than purchasing a muffin. A muffin contains at LEAST 40 more calories than a bagel – but a bagel includes a lot more protein and iron and way less sugar.

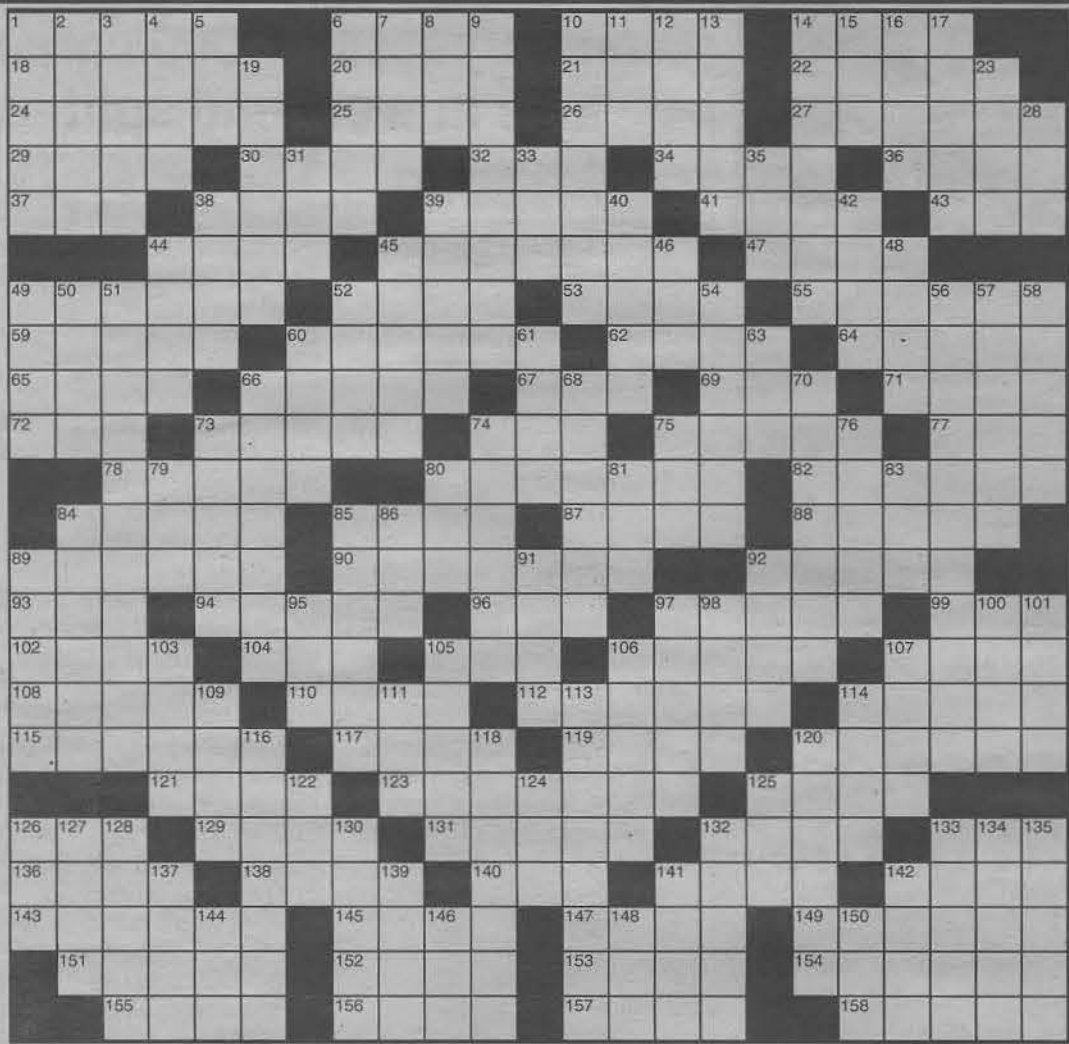


Did you know: Sodium is used to preserve food and improve the texture and taste of food. This is the ultimate reason as to why there is so much sodium in fast food menu items.



Puzzles

Some good ol' mental exercise



SUNDAY PUZZLER

ACROSS		110	Word	49	"Limp watches" painter
1	Dress part	112	Stuffed	50	— Khayyam
6	Gap among mountains	114	Rigg or Ross	51	Weatherman's specialty
10	Rara —	115	Audition (2 wds.)	52	Cook
14	Mark from surgery	117	Barbecue fare	54	Air
18	Guide	119	Kind of reading	56	Popular sandwich in Philly
20	Chills and fever	120	Official's trip	57	Missive
21	Sock away	121	Tidy	58	Make into law
22	Material for gardens	123	Express disapproval of	60	Drinks slowly
24	Game official	125	Baton	61	Transport
25	Crystal gazer	126	Front part of a ship	63	Uncooked
26	Formerly	129	Usual food	66	Quick-tempered one
27	Greek god of the winds	131	Ray flower	68	Baby's toy
29	Roasting rod	132	Charter	70	Worldly
30	Fine and liberal	133	Owens	73	River of forgetfulness
32	Liquid meas.	136	Long story	74	Ring
34	Steersman's position	138	Hardware item	75	Golf ball stand
36	Partly (prefix)	140	Soak, as flax	76	Lariats
37	Coal scuttle	141	Ballad	79	Rounded mark
38	— Minor	142	Big party	80	Letter after sigma
39	Darken	143	Throat	81	Mine's output
41	A-one	145	Car trunk, British style	83	Spring
43	Knotts or Adams	147	— breve	84	Taste
44	Whip handle	149	Black Sea port	85	Pin for kabobs
45	Salt lake in the Mideast (2 wds.)	151	River through Paris	86	Print measures
47	Implement	152	Davenport's state	89	Map
49	Territory	153	Rend	91	Marine plant
52	High-fiber food	154	Placed one within another	92	Skedaddled
53	Do damage to	155	Raced	95	Experience one, for short
55	Old Greek prophet	156	Word of agreement	97	Body joint
59	Make better	157	Like some dirty dishes	98	Abound
60	Holy ones	158	Utter	100	Archer or Hathaway
62	— do-well			101	Gondola
64	Very pale			103	Gas for signs
65	Tardy			105	Fix securely
66	Long walks			106	Frightening
67	Time periods (abbr.)			107	Peel
69	— Palmas			109	Felt regret
71	Plant bristle			111	Disencumber
72	Anger			113	Disloyal one
73	Went at an easy pace			114	Sand hill
74	Government org.			116	Made impure
75	Skyscraper			118	Self-denying
77	Catchall abbr.			120	Lingo
78	American playwright Clifford			122	Brewed beverage
80	Walked gingerly			124	Rest
82	Mollycoddle			125	Be triumphant
84	Foam			126	Panhandle
85	Burn the outside of			127	Musical work
87	Card with three pips			128	Tricky ways
88	Shoe part			130	Bone of the leg
89	Dress			132	White with age
90	Work hard (with "down")			133	— la vista, baby"
92	Insects			134	Valued thing
93	Linden or Holbrook			135	Ghost
94	Roof part			137	Small fastener
96	Sheltered side			139	Appear very large
97	Book of maps			141	Dross
99	File folder part			142	Outdo
102	The Bard's river			144	Letters on a dial
104	Morning moisture			146	Be indebted
105	Moray			148	Table part
106	Look of contempt			150	— Moines
107	Haven for gamblers				
108	Pilot's "OK"				

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ASTRO-GRAPH
By Bernice Bede Osol

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) - If there is a hot, private issue over which you and your mate disagree, don't let it come up in front of others. The last thing you'll need is for outsiders to become involved.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) - We don't always work too well under pressure, and it could be one of those times for you. Forgo that long list of things you want to do, and hone it down to just a few.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) - You are not immune to the odds going against you, so it is best not to buck them, especially when making a critical assessment of something huge. Be honest about what you can or cannot do.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) - Well-intentioned family members could create problems for you if you allow them to butt into your domestic affairs. For the sake of harmony, stifle their input by keeping them at bay.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) - Issues you normally can treat lightly could be a severe source of irritation for you. Do your best not to step out of character by allowing your temper to burst open.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) - It's your nature to be generous to those in need, which is a wonderful attribute. However, there is a chance that you could carry this to extremes and put yourself in the hole.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) - Should you experience some opposition from an unexpected quarter, stand up for your rights, but don't compound the situation further by reacting in a bullying or pushy manner.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) - You had better have an alibi ready if you failed to take care of a matter that you promised to do for another. There is a strong possibility you'll be taken to task.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) - It'll be your own fault if you allow yourself to be placed in a position where peer pressure compels you to do something that goes against your better judgment. Say no and mean it.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) - Be extra careful that you don't use your authority over others to come off as looking like a bully. You can take bets that those you push around will find ways to even the score later on.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) - Some ideas or suggestions you make will be challenged if they are not in accord with those of others. You'll need to take care to handle the rebuttals as tactfully as you can.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) - You may think you have total control over a financial matter that you share with another, only to discover that this person has been holding back and hiding a few bucks for him/herself.



Sports

Highlights from the competitions that you cheer for



Oct. 21, 2010



Photo by Angela Yannessa

RWUHawks.com

The Hawks struggled against blustery weather and evenly-matched opponents throughout their 0-0 draw against UNE Saturday. The men's soccer team is 5-8-2 this year.

Men's soccer earns scoreless draw after hard-fought battle

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The Roger Williams University Men's Soccer team battled the University of New England for 110 minutes without a victor, as both teams played to a scoreless tie in double overtime.

A cool day with blustering winds coming off of the water of the Mount Hope Bay did little to assist either team in their attempts to score. Goal kicks were stalled in mid-air, throw-ins bent back toward the out-of-bounds line, and long passes were bent toward the direction of the wind.

The first UNE possession demonstrated the effects of the weather on the game, as the Nor'Easters put up three consecutive corner kicks due to the assistance of the wind. Despite the wind, the Hawks continued

to keep up the intensity on the offensive end, outshooting the Nor'Easters 18-2 in the first half. Yet neither team was able to find the back of the net.

The second period saw more of the same, with both teams competing against each other and the weather. Roger Williams maintained the offensive pressure, with 10-4 shot advantage against UNE, but still could not score.

Both teams had close opportunities to break the stalemate, with a long pass by UNE's Riley Goodrich in the 80th minute hanging up in the air and nearly going in for a score before bouncing over the net. Dan Caruso had a great opportunity in the 86th minute, firing from the right side but getting denied by the crossbar before the UNE defense cleared it out.

In the overtime periods, Roger Williams outshot the Nor'Easters 11-2 with numerous close calls. Andres Daza had an apparent goal stopped on a great save by UNE keeper Jon Planer in the 93rd minute, in addition to five consecutive shots within the opening two minutes of double overtime, each of which did not score the game-winner. In the end, both teams came away with the shutout.

Hawk keeper Peter Plate made three stops in the game, while Planer had 12 saves in the game.

Roger Williams (5-8-2, 5-3-2 TCCC) will take on Endicott College Tuesday at 3:30 p.m., while the University of New England (3-7-4, 1-6-3 TCCC) plays Curry Tuesday at 6:30 p.m.

Dion surpasses 1,000 career kills in weekend split

Article courtesy
RWUHawks.com

Senior Rebekah Dion became only the fourth player in the 29-year history of the RWU Volleyball program to surpass 1,000 career kills Saturday as the team defeated Babson College before falling to the host Coast Guard Academy.

Dion entered the day with 983 career kills and tallied 13 on 28 swings in the team's first match against Babson College. Freshman Holly Hancock led all players in the match with 15 kills and just three errors on 24 swings. She also led all players with four blocks.

The Hawks defeated Babson by the scores of 25-18, 25-16 and 26-24. Sophomore Emily Lebowitz contributed 44 assists, as the team averaged 18.7 kills per set with a .338 hitting percentage.

The RWU offense remained strong in the second match of the day, finishing with 44 kills and a .273 hitting percentage against the Bears. Junior

Marybeth Torpey notched 12 kills and just two errors on 25 swings on the outside. Freshman Krystie Luczynski matched Torpey's team-high 12 kills, also on 25 swings. Dion's 11 kills in the match moved her to 1,007 in her career.

Despite the Hawks' strong offense, Coast Guard capitalized on its opportunities late in each set, pulling out three-straight victories, 25-22, 26-24 and 25-22. The win was the tenth-straight for Coast Guard, moving them to 21-4, while the loss snaps a nine-match winning streak for RWU as it finishes the day 22-4.

RWU has featured a player eclipsing the 1,000 career kill mark in four of the last six years, beginning in 2005 with Erin Carolan. In 2007 Amy Maurer accomplished the feat, followed by Kristina Dolan in 2009.

Coast Guard moves on to face Clark College Tuesday while RWU hosts Lasell College the same night. Both matches begin at 7 p.m.



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Senior Rebekah Dion (18) and Junior Natasha Sopchak (20) team block during the Hawks' 3-0 wins over JWU earlier this month.



Athletics
ROGER WILLIAMS UNIVERSITY

Fall sports teams' recent results

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Men's Cross Country

10.16.10 | 10:00 a.m.
at University of Albany Invitational
19th / 25

Men's Soccer

10.16.10 | 12:30 p.m.
vs University of New England
T - 0-0 (20T)

10.12.10 | 3:30 p.m.
vs Western New England College
L 1-2

Women's Cross Country

10.16.10 | 10:00 a.m.
at University of Albany Invitational
15th / 22

10.16.10 | 3:00 p.m.
vs University of New England
W 3-1

10.13.10 | 3:30 p.m.
vs Western New England College
W 3-1

Women's Tennis

10.12.10 | 2:00 p.m.
vs TCCC Quarterfinals - #7 Western New England College
W 5-1

Women's Volleyball

10.16.10 | 3:00 p.m.
at Coast Guard Academy
L 0-3

10.16.10 | 1:00 p.m.
vs Babson College
W 3-0

10.13.10 | 7:00 p.m.
at Western New England College
W 3-0